

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants have cancelled the original claims and have added claims 258-278.

No new matter has been added. Should the examiner find it useful, applicants have provided the identical above-noted new claims 258-278 on the attached sheets numbered 96-98 (the numbering of which continues from page 95 of the last page of claims of the instant 371 application).

Support for claims

Claim 258 finds support from original claims 124 and 5.

Claim 259 finds support from original claim 15.

Claim 260 finds support from original claim 11.

Claim 261 finds support from original claim 19.

Claim 262 finds support from original claim 20.

Claim 263 finds support from original claim 22.

Claim 264 finds support from original claim 24.

Claim 265 finds support from original claim 27.

Claim 266 finds support from original claim 30.

Claim 267 finds support from original claim 37.

Claim 268 finds support from original claims 223 and 232.

Claim 269 finds support from original claim 234.

Claim 270 finds support from original claim 233.

Claim 271 finds support from original claim 240.

Claim 272 finds support from original claim 241.

Claim 273 finds support from original claim 242

Claim 274 finds support from original claim 243

Claim 275 finds support from original claim 244

Claim 276 finds support from original claim 249, 251 and 257.

Claim 277 finds support from page 17, lines 14-19.

Claim 278 finds support from 17, lines 14-19.

CONCLUSION

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at the telephone provided.

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